

1 the next 100 years is going to bring forth, because there
2 are developments in this field that if you are tied in a
3 straight jacket may do great harm to the State.

4 We had before our committee I would say almost
5 every fiscal officer of the State, and in its distillation
6 it came down to this: If you are going to ask us how has
7 it worked in the past, we say 15 years is good. If you
8 are going to make it a blanket 25 years without any restric-
9 tion, then we feel that the legislature may decide to make
10 them all up to 25 years. If you reach the conclusion that
11 there ought to be some form of flexibility, go ahead and see
12 what you can work out.

13 We had before us one man whom I would say for
14 this record, and I hope it is an imperishable record that
15 will live for a long time, James Rennie, one of the great
16 servants of this State. He was budget director of the
17 State of Maryland after ~~Walt Perkman~~ ^{Walter Perkman} retired, having or-
18 ganized this Department of Budget and Procurement.

19 James Rennie is a great public servant. We
20 had reached a conclusion, the majority of our committee,
21 that we would ask ourselves and then ask these people this